

### **REMARKS**

In this response, Applicant elects Invention I, claims 1-5 drawn to a natural biodegradable felt, classified in class 47, subclass 65.8. Claims 6-9 have been withdrawn. Claims 2-5 have been amended. Pending claims are claims 1-5. Applicant respectfully requests the allowance of the pending claims.

### **Restriction Requirement**

The Examiner has determined that restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C. § 121:

Invention I. Claims 1-5, drawn to a natural biodegradable felt, classified in class 47, subclass 65.8.

Invention II. Claims 6-9, drawn to a method of manufacturing a natural biodegradable felt, classified in class 47, subclass 58.1R.

In response, Applicant has elected the claims directed to Invention I, specifically, claims 1-5; and Applicant has withdrawn the non-elected claims. Applicant reserves the right to file a continuation application for the withdrawn claims.

Please charge our Deposit Account No. 10-0440 for all required fees for this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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